

In the claims:

*Please amend the claims as follows:*

1. (Currently amended) ~~A method for use by a business relationship manager module of a wireless terminal subscribed to an operator network, comprising:~~

~~receiving from an application identifier for an application,~~  
~~hosted by the wireless terminal a request to determine whether~~  
~~the application is registered with the operator network, wherein~~  
~~registering the application includes signaling to the operator~~  
~~network, so as to cause to be stored by the operator network in~~  
~~one or more data stores, an indication of an elected option for~~  
~~paying for use of the application along with an identifier of the~~  
~~application and a user identifier stored in the wireless~~  
~~terminal;~~

~~determining whether said application is registered with an~~  
~~operator network for use by a user of a wireless terminal,~~

~~transmitting a user identifier of the user to the operator~~  
~~network, and~~

~~receiving a list of user registered applications in response~~  
~~to said user identifier,~~

~~wherein when said list of user registered applications~~  
~~includes said application, said method further comprises~~  
~~producing a periodic report on usage of said application to~~  
~~enable billing for use of the application.~~

~~referring to the one or more data stores hosting information on~~  
~~registration of applications to locate any registration~~  
~~information for the application using the identifier of the~~  
~~application and the user identifier, in order to determine~~  
~~whether the application is registered with the operator network;~~

and

~~—signaling to the application that the application is registered if by referring to the one or more data stores, using the identifier of the application and the user identifier, the business relationship manager finds that the application is registered, but otherwise displaying options for paying for use of the application, and then in response to an election by a user, registering the application by signaling to the operator network an indication of an elected option for paying for use of the application along with an identifier of the application and a user identifier stored in the wireless terminal.~~

2. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein when said list of user registered applications does not include said application, said method further comprising~~comprises~~ registering the application with a user information server~~said operator network~~.

3. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2, wherein the registering is via signalling between thea business relationship manager module and the user information server~~operator network~~ and is according to session initiation protocol signaling or is signaling using an extensible markup language over hypertext transfer protocol or secure hypertext transfer protocol.

4. Canceled.

5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the method further comprises comparing said list of user registered applications with said application identifier~~referring to one or more data stores is a referring to one more data stores hosted by the wireless terminal.~~

6. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the ~~referring to one or more data stores is a referring to one or more data stores maintained by~~list of user registered applications is received from a user information server of the operator network.

7. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

receiving an indication to de-register the application;

signaling a de-register message to a user information server of the operator network so as to indicate that the application is to be de-registered.

8. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the application ~~is assigned an identifier~~is common to all copies of the application and used as ~~an~~the application identifier for the application in the one or more data stores holding information indicating whether the application is registered.

9. Canceled.

10. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the ~~periodic report is a monthly report for monthly billing options include a plan in which the user is billed monthly for use of the~~ application.

11. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein use of the application consumes network resources, and the method further comprises:

appending to each ~~get-request~~for network resources by the application ~~at~~the user identifier stored in the wireless terminal and ~~an~~the application identifier ~~indicating the application, and~~

~~communicating the get request along with the user and application identifiers to the operator network.~~

12. Canceled.

13. Canceled.

14. (Currently amended) A wireless terminal, comprising:

~~means for receiving an indication that an application identifier for an application is to be executed;~~

~~means for determining referring to one or more data stores, using an identifier of the application and a user identifier, to determine whether the application is registered with an operator network for use by a user of a wireless terminal~~

~~, wherein registering the application includes signaling to the operator network, so as to cause to be stored by means for transmitting a user identifier of the user to the operator network in the one or more data stores, an indication of an elected option for paying for use of the application along with the identifier of the application and the user identifier stored in the wireless terminal, and~~

~~means for receiving a list of user registered applications in response to said user identifier, and signaling to the application that the application is registered if by referring to the one or more data stores, using the identifier of the application and the user identifier, the business relationship manager finds that the application is registered, but otherwise displaying options for paying for use of the application, and then in response to an election by a user, registering the application by signaling to the operator network an indication of an elected option for paying for use of the application along with an identifier of the application and a user identifier~~

~~stored in the wireless terminal~~

means for producing a periodic report on usage of the application to enable billing for use of the application when the list of user registered applications includes the application.

15. (Currently amended) A wireless terminal, comprising:

an interface for receiving an application identifier for an application included in the wireless terminal~~so as to be executable by the wireless terminal, for providing a signal to confirm registration of the application with an operator network in response to a signal to begin execution, and further responsive to a signal indicating registration is in place, wherein registering the application includes signaling to the operator network, so as to cause to be stored by the operator network in one or more data stores, an indication of an elected option for paying for use of the application along with an identifier of the application and a user identifier stored in the wireless terminal;~~

a business relationship manager configured~~also included in the wireless terminal so as to be executable by the wireless terminal, responsive to the signal to confirm registration, for referring to the one or more data stores using the identifier of the application and the user identifier to locate any registration information for the application, in order to determine whether the application is registered with the~~an operator network for use by a user of the wireless terminal, and~~for signaling to the application that the application is registered if by referring to the one or more data stores using the identifier of the application and the user identifier the business relationship manager finds that the application is registered, but otherwise displaying options for paying for use of the application, and then in response to an election by a~~

~~user, registering the application by signaling to the operator network an indication of an elected option for paying for use of the application along with the identifier of the application and the user identifier stored in the wireless terminal~~

a transmitter for transmitting a user identifier to an operator network,

wherein said interface is configured to receive a list of user registered applications in response to said user identifier, and

wherein said business relationship manager is configured to produce a periodic report on usage of the application to enable billing for use of the application when the list of user registered applications includes the application.

16. (Currently amended) A system enabling billing a user of a wireless terminal for use of an application hosted by the terminal, comprising the wireless terminal and an operator network to which the user of the wireless terminal is subscribed, wherein the user has a user identifier identifying the user, and the operator network including comprises a user information server, wherein:

the wireless terminal comprises a business relationship manager included in the wireless terminal is configured to determine whether the application including an application identifier is registered with the operator network, and configured to produce a periodic report on usage of the application to enable billing for use of the application when the list of user registered applications includes the application  
~~respond to a signal from the application by signaling a request to the operator network to determine whether the application is registered, and for signalling to the application an indication~~

~~of whether the application is registered, and for displaying options for paying for use of the application and for registering the application by signaling to the operator network, so as to cause to be stored by the operator network in one or more data stores, an indication of an elected option for paying for use of the application along with an identifier of the application and a user identifier stored in the wireless terminal; and~~

~~the user information server of the operator network is configured to respond to the request to determine whether the application is registered by referring~~refer to the one or more data stores to locate any registration information for the application using the identifier of the application and the user identifier, ~~in order to determine whether the application is registered with the operator network.~~

17. (Currently amended) The system of claim 16, further comprising a gateway general packet radio service support node, ~~and further wherein the business relationship manager is configured to append to each get request by the application a user identifier and an application identifier, and the general packet radio service support node is~~ configured to count packets bearing the user identifier and application identifier by monitoring received packets.

18. (Currently amended) A computer program product comprising: a computer readable storage structure embodying computer program code thereon for execution by a computer processor in a wireless terminal, said computer program code providing instructions for ~~performing the method of claim 1~~

receiving an application identifier for an application,  
determining whether said application is registered with an  
operator network for use by a user of the wireless terminal,

transmitting a user identifier of the user to the operator network, and

receiving a list of user registered applications in response to said user identifier,

wherein when said list of user registered applications includes said application, producing a periodic report on usage of said application to enable billing for use of the application.

19. (Currently amended) A method ~~for use by an operator network providing wireless communication~~, comprising:

providing to a wireless terminal at least one option for paying for use of an application hosted by the wireless terminal;

receiving an indication of an option for paying for use of the application along with an identifier of the application and a user identifier stored in the wireless terminal;

storing the indication of the option for paying for use of the application along with the identifier of the application and the user identifier; and

determining whether the application hosted by the wireless terminal is registered with ~~the~~an operator network; and

billing for use of the application in response to a periodic report on usage of the application.

20. (Previously presented) The method of claim 19, further comprising:

receiving from the wireless terminal a get request issued by the application along with the user identifier and the identifier indicating the application; and

counting the packets bearing the identifier indicating the user and the identifier indicating the application.



21. (Previously presented) The method of claim 19, wherein the support node is a gateway general packet radio service support node.

22. (Currently amended) An operator network providing wireless communication, comprising:

a software business server, for providing to a wireless terminal at least one option for paying for use of an application hosted by the wireless terminal;

a user information server, for receiving an indication of an option for paying for use of the application along with an identifier of the application and a user identifier stored in the wireless terminal, and for storing the indication of the option for paying for use of the application along with the identifier of the application and the user identifier; and

determining whether the application hosted by the wireless terminal is registered with the operator network;

wherein the software business server is configured to bill for use of the application in response to a periodic report on usage of the application.

23. (Previously presented) The operator network of claim 22, further comprising:

a gateway support node, for receiving from the wireless terminal a get request issued by the application along with the user identifier and the identifier indicating the application, and for counting the packets bearing the identifier indicating the user and the identifier indicating the application.

24. (Previously presented) The operator network of claim 22, wherein the support node is a gateway general packet radio

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service support node.